## Trash Collection Service in Newport Beach September 18, 2013 Update

What's the issue? As part of the City's efforts to look to the private sector to provide high quality service while reducing salary, worker's compensation, equipment and pension costs, the City issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for firms to provide trash collection service to most residences in much of Newport Beach. At the City Council meeting on September 10, 2013, the Council directed the staff to move towards an **automated collection system**, and to start contract discussions with up to three (3) potential vendors (CR&R, Ware Disposal, and Rainbow).

The automated system – we'll call it "Newport Automated" – would be tailored to Newport Beach. With this plan, residents can have any number of carts needed, can pick which size carts they want, and can volunteer to recycle at home (if they choose to). People that do not want to recycle at home can mix the recyclables with the trash as they do today. The new carts are free to you – there is no charge for them or for replacements. Here's a summary of how it would work:

	Type and Size of Cans	Number of Cans	Recycling	Can I put out bags & other stuff by the cans?	Will the company offer jobs to the employees ?	Who will pay for trash collectio n?	How will service standards be met?
Current System	A hardware store purchased 33-gallon can	As many as you want, but you buy them.	Done at a recovery facility after trash is collected.	Yes	N/A	City does  – using property taxes.	City staff members monitor.
Proposed Plan Automated Pickup w/voluntary recycling	Wheeled carts – provided at no cost. Sizes are small, med, large.	As many as you want. City buys them.	Voluntary. You can choose whether you want to recycle.	Yes	Yes – must interview and offer jobs to qualified staff.	City does  – using property taxes.	City staff members monitor.